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LOCAL AND PERSONAL.

Mrs. T. J. Roberts returned Saturday from a visit to Graham, Young county.

Mr. W. F. B. Wicker returned Sunday afternoon from a business visit to Cuero.

Mr. Earl Westmoreland was in Hallettsville to see his best girl last Sunday.

City Marshal Abe Benkes was in Houston on business, several days last week.

Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Westmoreland came up from Egypt Monday for a visit to relatives.

Your name, business and address neatly printed on 100 good envelopes for only 50 cents.

Little Miss Annie Margaret Thatcher returned Sunday from Houston where she had been visiting little Miss Lucile Johnson.

Try Pepsin Punch and Sugar-Lett, at Woodward's. Better than Coca Cola or Beer. New cold non-alcoholic drinks.

Mr. E. R. Johnson, the popular cashier of the Texas Savings Bank at Houston, was a business visitor in the city Sunday.

Last week Landa unloaded four carloads of feed stuffs, and it will sure pay you to give him a call.

Mrs. C. G. Tackaberry and sister, Miss Madeline Oldham, of Houston arrived Tuesday for a visit to their aunt, Mrs. J. W. McCarty.

Mr. J. W. McCarty, stenographer for the Cunningham Sugar Co. at Sugarland came up Sunday night, having been granted a two weeks' vacation.

Editor F. A. Norman of the Rock Island Enterprise was a business visitor in the city last Saturday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Dennis and John Jr. of Wharton visited Mrs. Dennis' parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Anderson, here the first of the week.

Miss Sue Coulter, who has been spending a few weeks here visiting her sister, Mrs. W. H. Rather, returned to her home in Dallas last Saturday.

Mrs. Eugene Daughtry and daughter, Miss Gene, left Monday night for their home in Georgetown after a pleasant visit to relatives here and at Glen Flora.

Mrs. John Hammer and Mrs. Audrey Atterway of Houston, both former citizens of Eagle Lake, are visiting in the city the guests of Mrs. S. S. Lott.

Mr. G. B. Meriwether of Bonus was in the city Monday, having come up to bring his pretty little Shetland pony which he sold to Mr. E. C. Meyer of Elgin for \$150.

The many friends here of Mr. J. McGarr, who was formerly a citizen of this place, will be pained to learn that he is critically ill in San Antonio. He is afflicted with a complication of stomach troubles and his death is looked for at any moment.

We are pleased to note that John, the little son of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Raezer, who has been quite ill with fever for two weeks has recovered.

Mrs. Batt Smith of Bay City writes us from Meridian, Miss., to send the HEADLIGHT to her there until further notice. Mrs. Smith is spending the summer with relatives at that place.

Mr. Will Dorman of Glen Flora was in the city Monday, having come up to meet Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Dorman and children of Palestine who were here that morning en route to Glen Flora for a visit.

Mr. L. F. Schuit of Altair was in the city with a load of vegetables last Saturday and placed the HEADLIGHT under obligations for a mess of fine green peas and pod peppers.

Mr. O. E. Duddeldson was a pleasant caller at our office last Saturday morning and advanced his figures a notch ahead on our subscription books.

The HEADLIGHT will be glad to have its readers phone it the comings and goings of their relatives and friends. Our friends in the country will do us a favor by dropping us a card, where no telephone is handy.

Mr. Reitz of Garwood was in town last Friday with eight bales of cotton, of last year's crop, which he sold to Mr. W. E. Wellford at 12 cents around. This is the highest price paid for cotton in Eagle Lake for a long time.

Misses Grace Webb and Etta Cook, who have been night telephone operators for sometime, resigned their positions on the first of the month. Misses Minnie McKinney of Rock Island and Winnie Waddell are the night operators now and Misses Libbie Duke and Bessie Harris are the day operators.

Mr. Harry Kirby of Brown's Valley, Pennsylvania, spent last week in the city with the family of his brother-in-law, Mr. J. E. McDonald. Mr. Kirby was here looking at the purchasable lands and was highly pleased with the South Texas country.

The HEADLIGHT has just received a full line of ladies' pure linen visiting cards—in the very latest styles. We have all sizes of Old English type, the prettiest and latest letter for card work. Our prices are the lowest. Ring us up—our phone number is 88.

May Get New Manufactory.

Traveling Freight Agent J. C. Reister of the Sap came in Sunday afternoon from a two weeks' trip over his road. Mr. Reister says that while he was out on the trip he went over in Louisiana to see some parties who were looking for a suitable location for the erection of a door, sash and blind manufactory. Mr. Reister says they were favorably impressed with Eagle Lake owing to its railroad facilities which make it a splendid shipping point. All they ask, he says, is that the location be given them. The matter will be taken up with the Commercial Club and the chances are that Eagle Lake will land this new enterprise.

Our City Taxes Too High.

Our efficient County Commissioner, Mr. J. J. Roberts, in conversation with the HEADLIGHT man stated that he thought the county taxes would be reduced about ten cents on the dollar. Mr. Roberts, in common with almost every tax payer in the city, is of the opinion that our city taxes are too high and the rate should be reduced. We are told that the city is in good shape financially and if this be the case why are the taxes being raised so high until they are becoming burdensome? Why and for what is all this money needed? The tax rate of the city of Eagle Lake so we are told, is already higher than any other town in this section. City taxes are becoming so burdensome that the property owners will be slow to improve their property and this high tax rate will retard the future growth of our town more than all the "knockers" in the community combined. The tax payers who are being called on to pay out all this money are beginning to want to know what the city wants with so much money.

Fifth Sunday Services.

Last Sunday, being a fifth Sunday, Bro. Ferrell preached in the Baptist church in the morning and Bro. Morgan was to preach in the Methodist church at night. Bro. Ferrell announced that he would preach at night, second Sunday in July on "The place and state of the soul between death and the resurrection." He also announced that the Baptist Aid Society would meet on Friday at Mrs. W. H. Rather's and urged a full attendance.

The new carpet, the price of which \$150 was furnished by the Sunbeam Society of young folks, added much to the beauty of the church interior, it being a handsome, tasteful velvet.

Bro. Morgan was to preach at night, but owing to sickness of his wife was unable to do so, and the Methodist pulpit was filled by Rev. Mr. Ferrell. The HEADLIGHT, along with the balance of Eagle Lake, is fond of Bro. Morgan and his estimable wife and hopes for her early recovery of strength and good health.

Elevator Contracts Let.

The bids for the erection of the elevators to be put up by the Lakeside Rice Mill Company and the Eagle Lake Rice Milling Co. were opened last Friday night and both contracts were awarded to Mr. George Keith, whose bid was in the neighborhood of \$12,000 each. Both elevators will be almost alike and the designs were made by D. J. Hayes of Houston. They will be 40x50 ft. and 125 feet high. About 300,000 feet of lumber will be required in the erection of each. They are to have a solid concrete foundation and the elevator for the Lakeside mill is to be completed within seventy-five working days and the one for the Eagle Lake mill is to be completed within eighty-five working days. Mr. Keith will commence work on them just as soon as material can be placed on the ground, and he says he can use one hundred men in the construction of same.

Wedded in Kentucky.

Mr. George H. Raezer of Houston and Miss Cora Mae Harrod of Frankfort, Kentucky, were married in the latter city on June 18th. The wedding was a brilliant affair and the following is a portion of the lengthy writeup of same which appeared in the Kentucky State Journal:

One of the prettiest and most original weddings ever witnessed in Frankfort was that of Miss Cora Mae Harrod and Mr. Geo. H. Raezer, of Houston, Texas, which was solemnized yesterday afternoon at two o'clock at the First Baptist Church, the ceremony being performed by Rev. M. B. Adams, the rector. Miss Harrod is a member of the Senior Class, 1907, of the High School and it was her wish to have a "class wedding" which was carried out. All the members of the class who graduated with her less than a week ago being members of the wedding party.

The groom is a brother of Mr. J. J. Raezer of this city. He has often visited here and is well and favorably known in Eagle Lake. The HEADLIGHT extends congratulations and best wishes.

To Manage Lane City Mill.

Mr. Parker White was in the city Sunday en route from Houston to Lane City where he will have charge of the Lane City Rice Mill during the coming season. Considerable improvements are being made in the rice mill at that place and he will remain there for the next two months while same are being made. Mr. White was with the Eagle Lake Rice Milling Company last season and made a great many friends during his stay here, who join the HEADLIGHT in congratulating him upon his promotion.

The HEADLIGHT has just received a complete shipment of stationery—anything you need to be printed we have it in stock. We have a full line of linen papers and envelopes to match in all the latest shades of blue, pink, cream and white. By buying our stationery in large lots and getting a cash discount we are enabled to give our customers up-to-date work printed with brand new job type of the latest faces at 25 per cent under the customary price. We appreciate the business our home merchants and the business men of the vicinity have extended us in the past and solicit a continuance of same on the merit and the high quality of our work and the extreme low prices we are offering on all kinds of job printing.

New Partnership Formed.

Mr. A. F. Wilson and Mr. T. L. Smith have, so we learn, formed a civil engineering copartnership. Mr. Smith will remain in Buckeye and Mr. Wilson will look after the firm's business at this end. Mr. Wilson is a pleasant and agreeable young man and a fine civil engineer and we are glad to know that he intends to make Eagle Lake his permanent home.

The HEADLIGHT will print you ONE HUNDRED A1 envelopes, your name, business and return neatly printed on same for only FIFTY CENTS. This low offer will enable our farmer friends and all others who do not do a large correspondence to use nice printed stationery for almost nothing.

Disastrous Fire.

Rock Island Enterprise.

The first disastrous fire in Rock Island occurred Thursday morning, commencing about midnight.

John Baxter, who was sleeping in his office intending to meet the night train west, after deliberately dressing, opened his office door and discovered a blaze in M. C. Kelley's store, just across the street. Mr. Baxter gave the alarm by phone and otherwise, but before necessary help could arrive the building belonging to T. F. Chrane and the entire contents of dry goods and groceries, which belonged to Mr. Kelley, were entirely destroyed. The fire raged as though fed by kindling wood and caught H. Cheetham's hardware store, only a feet south of the Chrane building. Before the fire had spread far the loyal citizens were on hand in sufficient number to save considerable of the stock of hardware, farm implements, wagons, buggies, etc. The destroying element claimed the rest. The building and sheds were totally destroyed. It was with great effort that the large blacksmith shop belonging to Master Bros. was saved. It was certainly fortunate that it was a still moonlight night, otherwise it would have been much worse.

This disaster is a trial of the real metal of the Rock Island business people.

Mr. Cheetham, although his loss is so large, has not the slightest wavering of faith in Rock Island and will not yield even to the menace of the fire-fund, but will soon build and continue business at the old stand.

Mr. Chrane is determined to stand by Rock Island and in the near future will announce his business to the public.

Mr. Kelley, though but a short time in business here, will not give up the ship, but is not today ready to announce the kind of business he will enter.

No braver or more willing people ever fought fire to save their neighbors from loss than were out fighting the fire Thursday morning. Especially we wish to mention the spirit in John Baxter in removing his stock of furniture in his new store-room in the twin buildings vacating the store-room on the Eaton block for Mr. Cheetham's saved stock, which a force of about twenty loyal, valuable citizens had replaced indoors by ten o'clock.

H. Cheetham's loss on building \$800. He had a \$5,000 stock. Saved about \$2,000 worth, although badly damaged. Insurance on building, \$309, on stock, \$2,000. T. F. Chrane's loss was building, \$600. M. C. Kelley's loss was goods, \$1,800, insurance \$1,500.

At a religious revival at Jackson, Miss., the first of the week Governor Vardaman, who was an interested auditor, arose in his seat and walking down the aisle to the revivalist in charge of the meeting, impressively announced that he "surrendered all to the cause of Christ and his service." Fully thirty people followed the example of Governor Vardaman and pledged themselves to lead better lives.—Weimar Mercury.